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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to Paper filed on 18 December 2007.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 9,14,34 and 56-77.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
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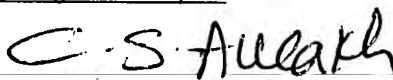
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
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- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date 2/27/06
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☒ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date 4/19/07.
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☒ Other The drawings are accepted.


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DETAILED ACTION

1. According to paper filed on Dec. 18, 2006, the applicants have canceled claims 1-8, 10-13, 15-33 and 35-55; amended claims 9, 14, 34, 56 and 57 and furthermore, have added new claims 58-77.
2. Claims 9, 14, 34 and 56-77 are now pending in the application.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

3. The following amendment is pursuant to a telephone conversation with the applicant's attorney, Mr. William R. Boudreaux on April 19, 2007. The following changes have been made in claims 9, 14, 34, 56-74, 76 and 77 and in specification regarding brief description of drawings:

In claim 9, page 3, line 1 under formula Ia, after acceptable salt, delete ---- ,hydrate, solvate -----.

In claim 9, page 4, (ii), line 1, delete ----R4--- and insert ----R6---- since R6 and not R4 is present in the formulae for variable Y.

In claim 9, page 4, (iii), line 1, delete ----R5--- and insert ----R7---- since R7 and not R5 is present in the formulae for variable Y.

In claim 14, page 4, line 2, after acceptable salt, delete ---- ,hydrate, solvate -----.

In claim 34, page 4, line 2, after acceptable salt, delete ---- ,hydrate, solvate -----.

In claim 56, page 5, line 5, after acceptable salt, delete ---- ,hydrate, solvate -----.

In claim 57, page 5, line 5, after acceptable salt, delete ---- ,hydrate, solvate -----.

In claim 58, page 5, lines 1-2, after acceptable salt, delete ---- ,hydrate or solvate -----.

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In claim 58, page 6, compound Ib-14, line 1, after 5,9-dione, insert ---;--- and furthermore, delete the second compound in line 2 in its entirety.

In claim 59, page 11, lines 1-2, after acceptable salt, delete ---- ,hydrate or solvate -----.

In claim 60, page 12, lines 1-2, after acceptable salt, delete ---- ,hydrate or solvate -----.

In claim 61, page 12, lines 1-2, after acceptable salt, delete ---- ,hydrate or solvate -----.

In claim 62, page 12, lines 1-2, after acceptable salt, delete ---- ,hydrate or solvate -----.

In claim 63, page 12, lines 1-2, after acceptable salt, delete ---- ,hydrate or solvate -----.

In claim 64, page 12, lines 1-2, after acceptable salt, delete ---- ,hydrate or solvate -----.

In claim 65, page 12, lines 1-2, after acceptable salt, delete ---- ,hydrate or solvate -----.

In claim 66, page 12, lines 1-2, after acceptable salt, delete ---- ,hydrate or solvate -----.

In claim 67, page 12, lines 1-2, after acceptable salt, delete ---- ,hydrate or solvate -----.

In claim 68, page 13, lines 1-2, after acceptable salt, delete ---- ,hydrate or solvate -----.

In claim 69, page 13, lines 1-2, after acceptable salt, delete ---- ,hydrate or solvate -----.

In claim 70, page 13, lines 1-2, after acceptable salt, delete ---- ,hydrate or solvate -----.

In claim 71, page 13, lines 1-2, after acceptable salt, delete ---- ,hydrate or solvate -----.

In claim 72, page 13, lines 1-2, after acceptable salt, delete ---- ,hydrate or solvate -----.

In claim 73, page 13, lines 1-2, after acceptable salt, delete ---- ,hydrate or solvate -----.

In claim 74, page 13, lines 1-2, after acceptable salt, delete ---- ,hydrate or solvate -----.

In claim 76, page 14, line 3, after acceptable salt, delete ---- ,hydrate or solvate -----.

In claim 77, page 14, line 3, after acceptable salt, delete ---- ,hydrate or solvate -----.

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In the specification on page 132, third line from bottom, delete ---FIGS. 1a to 1v illustrates various preferred compounds of the invention;----.

In the specification on page 132, second line from bottom, delete ---FIG. 2----- and insert --- FIG. 1-----.

In the specification on page 133, line 1, delete ---FIG. 3----- and insert --- FIG. 2-----.

In the specification on page 133, line 3, delete ---FIG. 4----- and insert --- FIG. 3-----.

In the specification on page 133, line 5, delete ---FIG. 5----- and insert --- FIG. 4-----.

In the specification on page 133, line 6, after; and, insert --- FIG. 5 illustrates the effect of two weeks of daily oral gavage treatment using a specific compound of the invention on the synthesis of saponified and non-saponified lipids in hepatocyte cells isolated from male Sprague-Dawley rats-----.

4. Claims 9, 14, 34 and 56-77, renumbered as claims 1-25, are allowed since the applicants have amended claims to overcome enablement and indefiniteness rejections.

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Charanjit S. Aulakh whose telephone number is (571)272-0678. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday, 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Thomas McKenzie can be reached on (571)272-0670. The fax phone

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